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**Graffiti Vandal Sentenced to Prison**

Madera County District Attorney, Michael R. Keitz, announced that Elisberto Daza Castillo was sentenced to two years and eight months in state prison today following his conviction for maliciously defacing property with graffiti.

Daza, an admitted gang member, was already on felony probation at the time he committed the vandalism. Daza's probation was terminated and he was sentenced on the violation with the vandalism charge. He was also ordered to pay restitution to the victim for damages to the property in addition to fines of \$970.

Daza was arrested by the Madera Police Department while he was spray painting an apartment wall on West Cleveland Avenue in December 2008. He was prosecuted through the District Attorney's Graffiti task force, which was launched in July 2009.